

Ch 6 (Extra)  
Sum and Product of Roots;  
Writing Equations when given  
the roots

Given the solution set, write the equation.

ex 1:  
{-5, 3}  $(x+5)(x-3) = 0$   
 $x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$   
sum = -2  
prod = -15

ex 2:  
{4, 6}  $(x-4)(x-6) = 0$   
 $x^2 - 10x + 24 = 0$   
sum = 10  
prod = 24

$x^2 - (\text{sum})x + \text{product} = 0$   
↳ 2 roots

Given the solution set, write the equation. No fractions/decimals

ex 3:  
{-5, 4}  $2[x^2 - 3\frac{1}{2}x - 2 = 0]$   
sum =  $3\frac{1}{2}$   
product = -2  $2x^2 - 7x - 4 = 0$

Write the equation given the roots:

ex 4:  
 $\{-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}\}$   
sum =  $\frac{1}{4}$   
prod =  $-\frac{3}{8}$   
 $x^2 - \frac{1}{4}x - \frac{3}{8} = 0$   
 $8x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$

Write the equation given the roots:

ex 5:  
 $\{\frac{2+i}{3}, \frac{2-i}{3}\}$   
sum:  $\frac{4}{3}$   
prod:  $\frac{4-i^2}{9} = \frac{5}{9}$   
 $x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x + \frac{5}{9} = 0$   
 $9x^2 - 12x + 5 = 0$

Find k such that

$$4x^2 + kx - 15 = 0$$

has a root of  $\frac{3}{4}$

$$4\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + k\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) - 15 = 0$$

$$4 \cdot \frac{9}{16} + \frac{3}{4}k - 15 = 0$$

$$\frac{3}{4}k = 15 - \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\frac{3}{4}k = \frac{51}{4} \cdot \frac{4}{3}$$

$$k = 17$$

Also a good check.

Solve.

$$x^2 + 5x - 24 = 0$$